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WE UNDERTOOK TOO MUCH.

Concerning the temporary trouble the CAUCASIAN had last week, a few suggestions may be in order here.

All during the past two years, the most general and conspicuous utterance and remark among the people has been "hard times."

But more than SEVENTEEN THOUSAND people took up that proposition. Now, ten cents will just about pay one-half of the expense of sending out the CAUCASIAN for three months.

We thought we had learned a lesson at this point, and resolved not to be caught at such a bad bargain again.

Gentlemen, fellow citizens and brethren! We are done with these kind of projects. It is time to stop them when the result is a levy by the sheriff.

The price hereafter will be \$1.00 for one year; 60 cents for six months; 35 cents for three months.

We marked off this list on November 7th the names of six thousand subscribers whose time had expired.

Why did Senator Pritchard change? The question has often been asked, why did Pritchard go over to the gold men, when he knew he could be re-elected if he stood squarely by the people and for silver?

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THE ISSUES DEAD IN THE PARTY.

A few days after the election it was pretty generally suggested that the Democrats would make another fight in the next election, and that their issue would be the "color line."

But let us suppose that there is some life in that party, and that it attempts to bring that boggy old issue forward. What would they do with it?

The Democrats did all they could to draw the color line in the campaign just closed, and if it be admitted that every man who voted for Cyrus B. Watson, the Democratic nominee for Governor, was a white man, it will be seen that Watson received but LITTLE OVER HALF THE WHITE VOTE OF THE STATE!

For out of a total of 245,000 white votes, he received, in round numbers about 120,000. This makes it appear that there are 115,000 white voters in North Carolina who will either vote against the Democrats or who will not vote for them.

Now isn't the above a beautiful basis for the Dems to try to revive the old boggy cry of "nigger" upon! Actually there are about as many white voters against the Democratic party as there are in sympathy with it.

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THE DEMOCRATIC TICKETS RE-DETERMINED IN NORTH CAROLINA.

It is true that all this majority may not have gone to any one man nor to any several men, but it is also true that it was against the head of the Democratic ticket, and we can make nothing less of it than a defeat of the Democratic ticket by 71,000 MAJORITY.

LET EACH CANDIDATE MAKE THE PLEDGE THAT VANCE MADE.

We understand that certain gold men continue to claim that they have some Populist members of the legislature pledged to vote for a "sound money" man for the United States Senate. THE CAUCASIAN wants to go on record again as saying that we do not believe there is any foundation for any such absurd claim. In fact we denounce it as false.

In the legislature of 1891 the Alliance would not even vote for Zeb Vance for re-election to the Senate till they pledged him on more than one important question. Nobody doubted that Senator Vance was squarely for the free coinage of silver, but he was pledged on the banking monopoly and for an income tax. If there is any doubt about where any candidate stands let him be required to make a pledge like Zeb Vance made.

THOS. E. WATSON'S LETTER.

Hon. Thos. E. Watson, vice-Presidential nominee of the Peoples Party, wrote his letter of acceptance and mailed it to National Chairman Butler. The letter was delayed for some time. When Chairman Butler received it, he wrote to Mr. Watson offering some suggestions. This correspondence prevented the publication of Mr. Watson's letter. Since the campaign, however, Mr. Watson has published his letter in his paper. It makes about five columns. We present Chairman Butler's letter this week, to which we ask attention, so that it may be well remembered in connection with Mr. Watson's letter, which we will publish next week.

NOTE: On account of the consolidation of the two issues Chairman Butler's letter in reply to Mr. Watson's letter is also crowded out of this issue, and both will appear in our next issue.

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A POINTED QUESTION AND A DIRECT ANSWER ABOUT AN IMPORTANT MATTER.

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North Carolina Must Elect a Free Coinage Senator—Or the Gold Men Will Control the Next Senate—Senator Butler Tells Senator Pritchard that He Favors the Election of a Man Who Holds Views Like Senator Pritchard Held Two Years Ago.

ELLIOTT, N. C., Nov. 14, 1896. Dear Sir: Yours of Nov. 8th, asking whether or not I favored your re-election to the Senate, received. Who shall be Senator is a matter to be decided by a majority of the members of the next legislature, but if I were a member of the next legislature, I would favor any man for Senator who holds the gold standard or whose position on the financial question (so vital to our country) was such as to insure or equivalent.

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MORRISTOWN, N. C., Nov. 12.—The stockholders of the A. & N. C. Railroad Company met here today for the purpose of ratifying the lease of the road to the Goldboro & Morehead City Railroad Company as agreed upon by the board of directors and Governor. The meeting organized with a large party of the private stockholders and the State represented. Mr. W. T. Dorth, State's proxy, stated that an injunction had been served upon him from so much as explaining the conditions of the lease agreed or the causes prompting the action. A resolution was passed adjourning the meeting to reassemble in Morehead City November 26th at 10 o'clock.

An informal meeting of the stockholders was then called by Mr. T. Tucker as chairman, for the purpose of ascertaining the needs of the private stockholders upon the lease question and adopted a resolution to that effect by a vote of 1,048 to 148, defeating Mr. J. A. Bryan's resolution to postpone all action until the meeting on the 26th. Mr. J. A. Bryan presented a proposition from the Wilmington, Newbern and Norfolk Railroad Company, which was explained by a telegram from that company stating that a copy of the same had been filed with the Governor. The terms of the lease agreed upon to the Goldboro & Morehead City Company was explained to be for a term of forty years at 2 1/2 per cent upon the capital stock and interest on the bonded debt, taxes and all other claims coming against the road to be secured by deposit of bonds and securities satisfactory to the board of directors. The proposition of the W. & N. R. R. Company was to pay 5.25 per cent interest on the capital stock and \$17,000 interest on bonded debt and \$1,300 towards expenses of the road. The injunction case will be heard before Judge Robinson on the 24th instant at Halifax.

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GOLDSBORO, N. C., Nov. 20, '96.—I see that the Democratic papers mention Mr. Wilson and Maj. Guthrie in connection with the Senatorial fight and say that we have not much timber to select from. I wish to say that we have plenty of timber. If the Senator is to be a Populist, we have in the East man like Prof. John Graham, Col. Harry Skinner, J. M. Mewborne, C. H. Thompson and others. In the West we have Walter R. Henry, A. F. Hileman, L. C. Caldwell and others. If he is to be a silver Republican we have Col. B. H. Dockery, Solicitor M. L. Motz and others. In fact there is plenty of Senatorial timber not mentioned here. Did we not take up Marion Butler, a farmer boy raised in the piney woods of Sampson county and made him Senator at 31 years of age? And no man has made a finer record in the Senate than he. We have more men in the State who will develop the same way when given an opportunity and put to the test. Yours truly, A 16 to 1 POPULIST.

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